

Chief Magistrate Judge Tsuchida

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

IN THE MATTER OF THE EXTRADITION
OF RODERICK MUCHIKEKWANAPE

a/k/a

“MUCHIKEKWANAPE, Roderick, Rodney”
“MUCH, Roderick Toot”
“GAMBLER, Thomas Robert”
“STARKES, Paul Edward”

CASE NO. MJ20-800

COMPLAINT FOR EXTRADITION

(18 U.S.C. §3184)

I, the undersigned Assistant United States Attorney, being duly sworn, state on information and belief that the following is true and correct:

1. In this matter, I am one of the United States Attorneys who represents the United States in fulfilling its treaty obligation to Canada.

2. There is an extradition treaty in force between the United States and Canada, the Treaty on Extradition Between the United States of America and Canada, U.S.-Can., Dec. 3, 1971, 27 U.S.T. 983, *as amended* by the Protocol Amending the Extradition Treaty with Canada, U.S.-Can., Jan. 11, 1988, S. TREATY DOC. NO. 101-17 (1990), *and* the Second Protocol Amending the Extradition Treaty with Canada, U.S.-Can., Jan. 12, 2001, S. TREATY DOC. NO. 107-11 (2002) (collectively, the “Treaty”).

1 3. The Treaty provides in Article 11 for the provisional arrest and detention of
2 alleged fugitives pending the submission of a formal request for extradition and
3 supporting documents.

4 4. In accordance with Article 11 of the Treaty, the Government of Canada has
5 asked the United States for the provisional arrest of Roderick MUCHIKEKWANAPE
6 (“MUCHIKEKWANAPE”) with a view towards his extradition.

7 5. According to information provided by the Government of Canada,
8 MUCHIKEKWANAPE was convicted in 2000 of First Degree Murder, in violation of
9 Section 235(1) of the Criminal Code of Canada. He was sentenced to life imprisonment
10 without eligibility for parole until after he had served twenty-five years of his sentence.
11 This offense was committed within the jurisdiction of Canada.

12 6. On October 29, 2020, MUCHIKEKWANAPE escaped from the prison
13 where he was serving his sentence for First Degree Murder. A warrant for
14 MUCHIKEKWANAPE’s apprehension and recommitment to custody in a penitentiary
15 was issued on October 29, 2020, by the Institutional Head of Mission Institution in
16 Mission, British Columbia.

17 7. MUCHIKEKWANAPE’s First Degree Murder conviction was based on the
18 following facts:

19 a. In July 1998, MUHCIKEKWANAPE followed a woman (“the
20 victim”) as she walked home from a party. MUHCIKEKWANAPE attacked the victim
21 and dragged her under a bridge, where he then killed her in the course of a sexual assault.
22 Specifically, he beat the victim, causing fatal skull fractures, and breaking her jaw,
23 cheekbones, and nose. He also removed the victims clothing from the waist down and
24 used a sharp object to cut her genitalia. He removed her bracelet and threw her body into
25 the river.

26 b. Immediately following the murder, MUCHIKEKWANAPE escaped
27 to a friend’s home, where he washed his bloody clothes and took a bath. Two witnesses
28 at the house, including MUCHIKEKWANAPE’s 14 year-old nephew, saw him with
blood smeared on his face and body.

1 c. Mr. MUCHIKEKWANAPE gave his nephew the bracelet and his
2 watch, which were covered in blood, and instructed him to wash them. However, his
3 nephew did not clean the bracelet and watch.

4 d. The victim's body was recovered from the river. Police also located
5 the bracelet and watch at the house. Forensic analysis revealed that the blood on the
6 bracelet and watch contained the victim's DNA.

7 e. In August 1998, Mr. MUCHIKEKWANAPE was arrested and
8 charged with First-Degree Murder. On December 13, 2000, he was convicted and
9 sentenced.

10 8. The offense with which MUCHIKEKWANAPE is charged is provided for
11 in Article 2 of the Treaty.

12 9. According to investigation to date, MUCHIKEKWANAPE may be found
13 within the jurisdiction of this Court in the greater Seattle area.

14 10. The Government of Canada has represented that it will submit a formal
15 request for extradition supported by the documents specified in the Treaty, within the
16 time required under the Treaty.

17 11. MUCHIKEKWANAPE would be likely to flee if he learned of the
18 existence of a warrant for his arrest.

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The above-named attorney provided a sworn statement attesting to the truth of the foregoing Complaint by telephone on this 14 day of Dec., 2020.

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